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1. General Production of Main Administration II

The total planned production of Main Administration II: Equipment for the Chemical, Ceramics, and Food Industries of the Ministry of Machine Construction, amounts to about 350,000,000 DME. Exports account for about 330,000,000 DME of this planned total. As of 30 August 1954, the arrears of exports amounted to 10,000,000 DME. These high arrears were caused by deficient supply of bottleneck materials such as copper tubing, brass tubing, aluminum forgings, deep drawn sheets, boiler plate, test-plate (Abnahmebleche), and cold-rolled strip-steel. Semifinished goods often cannot be completed because of lack of screws, nuts, gears, and motors. For instance, a factory is permitted to maintain only a three-weeks' supply of screws.

2. Enterprises under Main Administration II¹

The 51 enterprises under Main Administration II, Equipment for the Chemical, Ceramic, and Food Industries, of the Ministry of Machine Construction, are divided into four groups:

plants producing chemical equipment and apparatus	16 enterprises
plants producing machines for construction, ceramics, and crushing	15 enterprises
plants producing machines and equipment for the food industry	16 enterprises
construction and development enterprises	4 enterprises

a. Firms Manufacturing Chemical Equipment and Apparatus

(1) VEB Maschinen- und Apparatebau Stassfurt

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Manpower: about 1,800

Total planned production: about 25,000,000 DME

Products: boilers, autoclaves, other items

Personnel: Managing Director, Debus (fnu), SED
Technical Director, Klisch (fnu), SED

(2) VEB Maschinenfabrik Sangerhausen

Manpower: about 1,800

Product: machines for sugar factories

Market: exclusively exports to Russia, China

Managing Director: Kampe (fnu), SED

(3) VEB Erste Maschinenfabrik Karl-Marx-Stadt

Manpower: about 1,500

Products: felt glazing rollers, paper processing machines,
glazing rollers, cooling apparatus (Anlagen fuer
die Mittelkaelte)

Managing Director: Hofmann (fnu), SED

(4) VEB Maschinenfabrik Germania Karl-Marx-Stadt

Manpower: about 1,900

Products: refrigerator trains (Kuehlzeuge), fish refrigeration
equipment (Fischkuehlhaeuser), other items

Exports: to Russia (refrigerator trains)

Managing Director: Schulze (fnu), SED

(5) VEB Maschinenfabrik Halle

Manpower: about 2,000

Products: equipment for processing soda, caustic soda and
other products

(6) VEB Maschinenfabrik und Eisengiesserei Wurzen

Manpower: about 1,200

Products: small oxygen equipment (350 cu.m.), expansion
machines, high-pressure compressors (600 and 800
cu. m.), blowers

Managing Director: Prokoph (fnu), SED

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- (7) VEB Maschinen- und Apparatebau Grimma
- Manpower: 1,500
- Product: Dephenolizing equipment (Entphenolungsanlagen),
other equipment
- Export: to Hungary and Czechoslovakia
- Personnel: Managing Director, Sander (fnu), SED
Technical Director, Trinborn (fnu), SED
- (8) VEB Vaka-Werke Halle
- Manpower: about 1,100
- Products: equipment for the production of urea, and other
items
- Exports: to installations at Rokitta and Dworzy, Poland
- (9) VEB Behälter- und Maschinenbau Mittweida
- Managing Director was dismissed and went to the West in June or July.
- (10) VEB Emailleguss Radebeul
- Manpower: about 1,200
- Products: enamelled, acid-proof containers and apparatus
- Managing Director: Weinhold (fnu), SED
- (11) VEB Maschinen- und Apparatebau Schkeuditz
- Manpower: about 1,400
- Products: Stasa installations
- Export: to Russia
- Note: This enterprise has no regular production plan; it was
taken out of the sector Transportmittel- und Landmaschinen-
bau in 1953 at the time of the New Course in East Germany.
The plant is earmarked for aircraft production later.
- (12) VEB Excelsior-Werke Heidenau
- Manpower: about 700
- Personnel: Managing Director, Mertz (fnu), SED
Technical Director, Jochen Ludwig, no party

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(13) VEB Apparate- und Rohrleitungsbau Reinsdorf

Manpower: about 200

Managing Director: Schinke (fnu), SED

(14) VEB Industrierwerk Halle-Nord

Manpower: about 600

Products: gears and other items

Managing Director: Meisel (fnu), SED

(15) VEB Chemische Maschinenbauwerke Rudisleben²

Manpower: 2,200

Products: oxygen plants, autoclaves, other items

Exports: to Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Russia

(16) VEB Maschinenfabrik Polysius Dessau

Manpower: about 3,200

Total planned production: about 38,000,000 DME

Products: cement-mixers, dry-ice machines, coal-handling cars

Total planned export: about 35,000,000 DME

Exports: to Russia and China (cement-mixers)

Personnel: Managing Director, Voigtlaender (fnu), SED
 Technical Director, Seeliger (fnu), SED
 Commercial Director, Abendroth (fnu), SED

b. Firms Manufacturing Machines for Building Construction, Ceramics, and Crushing (Hartzerkleinerungsmaschinen)

(1) VEB Keramikmaschinen "Kema" Goerlitz

Manpower: about 800

Production: equipment for making coarse tile and roof tile,
Stasa equipment, pest-control apparatus.

Exports: to Russia

Managing Director: Krebs (fnu), SED

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- (2) VEB Feinkeramikmaschinen "Thuringia" Sonneberg
- Manpower: about 800
- Products: machinery for making porcelain ware, wall panels, and floor panelling.
- Exports: to Russia, and especially to KA³
- Personnel: Managing Director, Hugo Kaluza, SED
Technical Director, Heinz Wunderlich, SED
Commercial Director, Schindhelm (fnu)
- (3) VEB Hartzerkleinerungsmaschinen Zwickau (Hazet)
- Manpower: about 600
- Managing Director: Paulisch (fnu), SED
- (4) VEB Ebawe, Baustoffmaschinen, Eilenburg
- Manpower: about 500
- Products: Stasa equipment, diesel steam-rollers
- (5) VEB Baumaschinen Gatersleben
- Manpower: about 400
- (6) VEB Keramikmaschinen Steinach
- Managing Director: Lins (fnu), SED
- (7) VEB Kefama, Farben- und Keramikmaschinen Katzhuetten
- (8) VEB Baumaschinen Rehfelde
- Manpower: about 200
- (9) VEB Hartzerkleinerungsmaschinen Teltow
- Manpower: about 120
- Managing Director: Wagner (fnu), SED
- (10) VEB Cyklop Maschinenbau Pirna
- Products: saw frames, planing machines, and other items
- (11) VEB Regulus Betonmaschinen Neustadt/Orla
- (12) VEB Baumaschinen Radeberg
- (13) VEB Bau- und Giessereimaschinen Merseburg
- (14) VEB Zementformenbau Guben⁴

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(15) VEB Ziegeleimaschinen Magdeburg

Manpower: about 120

Products: gears, pest-control apparatus

Exports: to Russia (gears for the Dimitroff Works)

Personnel: Managing Director, Schmelzer (fnu), SED
Technical Director, Hinze (fnu) SED

c. Firms Manufacturing Machines and Equipment for the Food Industry

(1) VEB Maschinenfabrik Nema Netzschkau

Manpower: about 1,880

Products: large-scale ice-manufacturing equipment, ventilators,
and other items

Managing Director: Rossig (fnu) SED

(2) VEB DKK Scharfenstein

Manpower: about 1,600

Products: only refrigerators, from 125 liters upwards

Material bottlenecks: motors, and sheet metal for deep drawing

(3) VEB Maschinenfabrik "Nikos Belojannis" Erfurt

Manpower: about 1,400

Product: caprolactam equipment

Export: to Poland

Material bottleneck: refined steel

(4) VEB Muehlenbau Dresden

Products: pulverizing machines, rolling mill equipment, corn-
germ extracting machines and other machines

Managing Director: Farrenschon (fnu), SED

(5) VEB Verpackungs- und Schokoladenmaschinenfabrik Dresden

Manpower: about 1,600

Products: machines for packing cookies, wrapping candies, .
packaging tea, and other purposes

Managing Director: Wackwitz (fnu), SED

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(6) VEB Tabak- und Industriemaschinen Dresden

Products: various types of machinery for the tobacco industry, pressing machines, and others

Exports: a large order has been received

Managing Director: Engels (fnu), SED

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(7) VEB Maschinen- und Muehlenbau Wittenberg

Manpower: about 1,300

Products: pest control equipment, machines for filling sacks, sack-beating, and foil-washing, oil-extraction equipment

Managing Director: Lehmann (fnu), SED

(8) VEB Apparatebau fuer Kaelte und Waerme Mylau

Manpower: about 300

Products: absorption-type refrigeration units 60 and 90 liters, patterned after Electrolux machines

Managing Director: Schaaf (fnu), SED

(9) VEB Maschinenfabrik Heidenau

Products: stamping machines, machines for bakeries

(10) VEB "Habaemfa" Hallesche Baeckereimaschinenfabrik

Products: infrared ovens, meat grinders (Fleischwoelfe)

Managing Director: Euler (fnu), SED

(11) VEB Maschinenbau Burg

Managing Director: Reissmeier (fnu)

(12) VEB Maschinen- und Apparatebau Magdeburg

Manpower: about 300

Products: bottle-washing machines, bottle fillers, labelling machines, dish-rinsing and washing machines

Managing Director: Kodoll (fnu), SED

(13) VEB Brauereimaschinenfabrik Halle

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(14) VEB Kuehlanlagenbau Dresden

Manpower: about 400

Personnel: Managing Director, Witschas (fnu), SED
 Technical Director: Lindner (fnu), SED

Note: This is not a producing enterprise. It is charged with the function of distributing the entire output of refrigerators and with their servicing and upkeep. This enterprise was founded in 1953 to break the monopoly of private firms and wholesalers, and to keep the middle-man functions within the sphere of the VEB's.

(15) VEB Maschinenfabrik Special Radebeul

Manpower: about 250

Product: stamping machines

Managing Director: Aurisch (fnu), SED

(16) VEB Fleischereimaschinenfabrik Saxonia Leipzig

Manpower: about 300

Managing Director: Bauer (fnu), SED

d. Construction and Development Firms

(1) VEB KE Projektierung und Anlagenbau Chemie, Dresden

Manpower: about 500

Personnel: Managing Director, Rothe (fnu), SED

Commercial Director, Aris (fnu), SED

Chefkonstrukteur Dr. Heinz Jungnickel, no party affiliation, has charge of development of oxygen plants of 3,000 cubic meters.

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Chefkonstrukteur Kuntsch (fnu), no party affiliation, is in the Maschinenfabrik und Eisengiesserei Wurzen.

Chefkonstrukteur Otto Krause, no party affiliation, is in charge of development of sugar factories. His office is in the Maschinenfabrik Sangerhausen.

Chefkonstrukteur Vogel (fnu), no party affiliation, is located in the Maschinenfabrik Halle.

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(2) ~~VEB KE~~ fuer Nahrungs- und Genussmittelmaschinen und Anlagen, Dresden

Managing Director: Liebscher (fnu), SED

Chefkonstrukteur Liske (fnu), no party, is located in KE Dresden,
Breitscheidstrasse 80.

(3) ~~VEB~~ fuer Kaelte-, Luft- und Waermetechnische Anlagen

Managing Director: Schicht (fnu), SED

Technical Director: Eichler (fnu)

Chefkonstrukteur: Brockhause (fnu), no party, is located in
Maschinenfabrik Halle.

(4) ~~VEB FEK~~ fuer Bau, Keramik- und Hartzerkleinerungsmaschinen, Leipzig

Managing Director: Schumacher ((fnu)), SED

Technical Director: Dr. Stelling (fnu), no party, is also 25X1
Chefkonstrukteur.

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